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## Best workplaces for commuters announced

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Silicon Valley accounts for more than a third of the workplaces judged best for commuters by a group calling itself “The Bay Area’s Best Workplaces for Commuters Coalition.” The group is made up of Bay Area business, transportation, human resource, and environmental organizations and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The group Thursday listed 82 employers — both public and private — for making its first-ever list of workplaces “committed to improving quality of life for harried commuters while also reducing traffic and air pollution.”

Listed employers offer employees key commuting benefits such as employer provided transit passes, vanpool subsidies, bike commuter facilities, on-site day care, and telework programs.

“Our average commuter is spending more than an entire workweek stuck in traffic each year,” says Robin Snyder, EPA Bay Area Commuter Choice program manager. “Every workday, congestion causes Bay Area commuters to spend more than 155,000 extra hours in traffic — that’s 17 years and more than \$1.8 million of wasted productivity per day.”

The public and private employers making the list from Silicon Valley include: 3Com Corp., Santa Clara; Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara; Apple Computer, Cupertino; Applied Materials, Santa Clara; Canon U.S.A., Inc., San Jose; the cities of Menlo Park, Milpitas, Palo Alto, San Jose, Santa Clara and Sunnyvale; Genencor International, Inc., Palo Alto; General Dynamics Advanced Information Systems, Mountain View; Hewlett-Packard

Co., Mountain View; Hyperion Solutions, Sunnyvale; IBM in San Jose and its Almaden Research Center, San Jose; Juniper Networks, Sunnyvale; Lockheed Martin Space Systems Co., Sunnyvale; LSI Logic Corp., Milpitas; Oracle Corp., Redwood Shores; San Mateo County Transit District, San Carlos; Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group, San Jose; SJSU Transportation Solutions, San Jose; Space Systems/Loral, Palo Alto; SRI International, Menlo Park; Stanford University, Stanford; Sun Microsystems, Newark; Synopsys, Mountain View; XenoPort, Inc., Santa Clara; and Yahoo Inc., Sunnyvale.

For a complete list go to [www.commuterchoice.gov](http://www.commuterchoice.gov).

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